

REMARKS

Claims 5 and 7 to 24 and 27 to 31 are present for purposes of appeal.

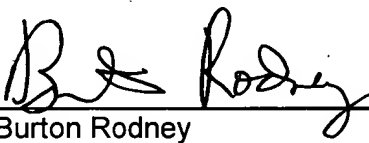
Claims 1 and 4 have been cancelled to reduce the issues on appeal.

Claim 5 has been amended to include the subject matter of Claim 6 (which has also been cancelled) to further reduce the issues on appeal.

The Examiner would not enter the Amendment filed July 16, 2003 because it did not include a "marked-up version" of the claims. It is believed that the present Amendment complies with the Rules.

Respectfully submitted,

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